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Docket No.: 3427-0138PUS1 (PATENT)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Eun Jong CHA et al.

Application No.: 10/530,194 Confirmation No.: 9596

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For: PEAK EXPIRATORY FLOW METER Examiner: C. Y. Jang

CAPABLE OF MEASURING CONTINUOUS EXPIRATORY FLOW SIGNAL

ATTENTION: Refund Section

Accounting Division OFFICE OF FINANCE

## REQUEST FOR A REFUND (IMPROPER FEES PAID - SMALL ENTITY PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED)

MS 16 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following documentation and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## DOCUMENTATION

Attached hereto is:

☐ a copy of the Issue Fee Transmittal filed on September 16, 2008, that clearly indicates the assertion of small entity.

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a copy of an executed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.9(f) and 1.27) - Small Business Concern filed on September 18, 2008.

## REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a), applicants hereby request a refund of 50% of the Issue fee paid on September 16, 2008. Small entity status was established prior to payment of this fee by the filing of a statement on April 4, 2005, and is indicated on the PTOL-85 form.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(b), any request for a refund which is not based upon subsequent entitlement to small entity status must be filed with a two-year nonextendable time limit.

The Issue fee in the amount of \$1,440.00 was paid on September 16, 2008. It is respectfully requested that the excess fee of \$720.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

Favorable action on the present Request is respectfully requested.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: September 18, 2008

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